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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Bill to charter the Richmond and Washington Air Line Railroad passed the Virginia House yesterday as it came from the Senate. ——Boer women fought the British at Colenso. ——Gen. Buller entered Ladysmith Thursday. ——Col. Anderson, of the 38th United States infantry, in a fight with the Filipinos killed twenty four and wounded thirty of the latter. —— The S A L. has completed its line from Camden to Columbia, S. C. —— Large purchases of fertilizers to Georgia is believed to indicate a big crop of cotton in that State this year. —— President McKinley is in New York city. ——Two negroes hanged for murder at New Iberia, Louisiana. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call steady; actual transactions ranging from 2@2½ per cent., the last loan being at 2½ per cent; cotton dull, middling uplands 9¼c; flour was weak; wheat—spot firm; No. 2 red 73¼c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 41¼c; oats —spot quiet, No. 2 28¼c; rosin dull, spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 2.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 37 degrees; 8 P. M., 49 degrees; maximum, 55 degrees; minimum, 34 degrees; mean, 52 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .34 inches.

Stage of water at 8 A. M. at Fayetteville 27 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 2 —For North Carolina—Fair Saturday and Sunday, light westerly winds.

Port Almanac--March 3.

Sun Rises	6 30 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.57 P. M
Day's Length	11 H 28 M.
High Water at Southport.	9 38 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington.	12.08 A. M

Chinese law prohibits women from wearing jewelry. Those old Chinese law makers were cute chaps.

Philip Toppin, of Atlantic City, N. J., forty years old, is now busily engaged in growing a third set of teeth.

Miss Nethersole's "Sapho" may be naughty, but, through the efforts to suppress it, it is getting a powerful lot of free advertising all the same.

Since the 1st of January $3,000,000 has been invested in new cotton mills in South Carolina, nineteen of them, averaging in cost about $150,000.

As a runner that New York 13-year-old chap who has run away from home 102 times holds the record. Perhaps New York is too small a place for him.

Col. Jack Chinn would like to have the carrying of fire arms made unlawful in Kentucky. Jack believes that the proper instrument of offence and defence is the trusty dirk.

It is said that there are 60,000 members of the German Turnvereins in Illinois, and every branch of these has turned against McKinley, on his expansion business, hob-nobbing with John Bull, &c.

The "unloaded" gun has got in some more work. This time in Pennsylvania, where a little boy found an old gun in the garret, took it down, played soldier and shot a hole in his sister's head.

Andrew Carnegie says, speaking of our recent acquisitions, free trade with us is their constitutional right. But the expansionists contend that they have no constitutional rights, and that the constitution does not stretch far enough to reach and cover them.

The output of the gold mines in Australia last year amounted to $79,315,265, or $17,021,967 more than in 1898. The mining regions are subject to droughts, and to remedy this a pipe line is being run for a distance of 328 miles, pipes 31 inches in diameter, at a cost of $12,000,000. These pipes will deliver 6,000,000 gallons a day and supply the miners.

Careful investigation shows that the improvement in arms, with the longer range guns and rapid charging and firing, lessens the mortality in battle. Up to 1860, but one shot out of 140 reached its man and four were wounded to one killed. With the continued increase in hitless balls, it is estimated that in future wars not one shot in 400 will hit a man. In the battle of Modder River, in South Africa, correspondents say that over a million shots were fired, and not more than a couple thousand men hit, and but comparatively few killed.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Democratic Primaries for New Hanover county, Thursday, March 22nd.

— To-day one year ago Dewey was made Admiral of the United States Navy.

— A building permit was issued yesterday to Messrs. Thomas & Rogers for the remodelling of the residence of Miss Annie Ulrich on Front and Church streets.

— Matinee at 3 P. M. to-day. The two children in "The American Girl Company" are said to be truly wonderful actresses. Matinee prices 15, 25 and 50 cents.

— Hon. Howard H. Morse, of New York, Supreme Councillor of the Order of Chosen Friends, who officially visited Wilmington Council on Thursday night, left yesterday morning for Richmond, Va.

— A donkey party was given yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. T. C. Craft, on Seventh and Grace streets, for the benefit of the Organ Fund of Grace M. E. Church. There was a large attendance of little folks, and they had a delightful time. Miss Julia Culbreth won the prize, having come nearest to fixing the tail to the donkey.

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS.

They Are Looking Forward With Much Interest to the Conference to Be Held Next Friday Night.

The conference of inter denominational Sunday school workers, to be held next Friday night at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, is anticipated with great interest by the superintendents and teachers in the various Sunday schools of the city. No doubt there will be a large attendance, as the occasion will deeply concern all persons interested in Sunday school work.

The Programme.

The music will be led by the choir of Grace M. E. Church, and the programme will be as follows:

Opening song by the choir and audience.

Explanatory remarks by Rev. A. D. McClure'

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Robert Strange

Topic for discussion—"The Ideal Sunday School Teacher," or "What is the best test of a Sunday School Teachers fitness for the work? 'To be discussed by Dr. W. C. Galloway and Mr. J. C. Stephenson.

SONG.

Tropic for discussion—"The best means of drawing children into Sunday School"—By Prof. Washington Catlett.

SONG.

Topic for discussion—"The relation of the parent to the Sabbath School," by Mr. W. M. Cumming.

SONG.

The speakers assigned to the subjects will be limited to fifteen minutes, and others who desire to participate in the discussions five minutes.

After the programme is completed a permanent organization will be effected

It is earnestly hoped and desired that all the pastors, superintennents, assistant superintendents, officers and teachers of the diff-rent denominational Sunday Schools will be present.

Everybody is requested to take a copy of Gospel Hymns, 1 to 6, or the number they have,

The City's Power as to Improvemnets.

Ex-Mayor S. H. Fishblate, who by reason of his several terms as mayor of Wilmington is well posted on municipal law, yesterday referred to the article in the STAR concerning the statute which gives the city power to compel property owners to pay a proportion of the cost of the improvement of streets on which their property is situated, and stated that there is not only a statute to sustain the city authorities but a decision of the Supreme Court. The statute referred to, he says, was construed and affirmed by the Supreme Court some time in the seventies—probably 1873. The decision was in favor of the city in a case carried up by the late Mr. A. J. Yopp.

Capt. Lucas at Fayetteville.

Capt. E. W. Van C. Lucas, chief of the U. S. Engineer Corps, stationed at Wilmington, went up to Fayetteville yesterday morning by invitation of the Chamber of Commerce of that city to advise that body in an examination into needed improvements to the upper Cape Fear. The business men of Fayetteville hope for a substantial appropriation for this purpose from the next Congress and have inaugurated the movement early.

Temple Will be Formally Opened.

The new Masonic Temple will be formally opened to Masons on Tuesday night with joint ceremonies by St. John's, Wilmington and Orient Lodges. Members of these lodges will assemble at St. John's Hall at 7.30 o'clock and march to the temple, where there will be ritualistic services and an address by Col. A. M. Waddell, after which a banquet will be served.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Grapes, pears.
Vollers & Hashagen—Lard, meats.
King Grocery Co.—For breakfast.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

J. G. Russell—Weather predictions.
Lost—Two vests.
L. Lehman Co.—Agent wanted.

DEAL CONSUMMATED.

Angola Lumber Company's Purchase of Peregoy-Jenkins Mill Plant.

$16,500 THE CONSIDERATION.

Plant Will Be Overhauled and Enlarged. Trade Was Closed by Attorneys Last Night—Tram Roads to Be Built Into the Interior.

The STAR a few days ago stated that negotiations were on foot by the Angola Lumber Company of Norfolk, Va., looking to a purchase of the extensive saw and planing mill plant of the Peregoy-Jenkins Lumber Company on the east side of the Cape Fear river, just above Hilton Bridge, but the plans were not sufficiently matured at that time to make the positive announcement of a sale.

Last night, however, at a meeting of interested parties the deal was consummated and the property is now in the hands of the Angola people, who will thoroughly overhaul the plant, probably enlarge its capacity from 40,000 feet per day to 80,000 feet, run tram roads to the interior, where large acreages of timber have been purchased and put the mill into operation perhaps as early as thirty days.

The sale was made by George L. Peschau, Esq., of the firm of Bellamy and Peschau, attorneys for M. C. Stewart, of Baltimore, owner of the property, and the price paid was $16,500, for all the equipment, etc., of the mill and a five years lease upon the tract of land upon which the property is situated, The purchasers were represented by George Rountree, Esq., and there were also present at the meeting at which the sale was made Mr. J. W. Perry, president; Mr. H. F. McCoy, secretary, and Mr. W. T. Sears, general manager, of the Angola Lumber Company.

The purchasing company is an especially strong one and has a paid up capital stock of $50,000. Mr. Sears, general manager of the company, and Mr. McCoy, the secretary, will in all probability make Wilmington their home when the plant is put in operation.

As late as last Summer the STAR made mention of the very great activity of the Augola Company in purchasing timbered lands in this and adjoining counties and it is announced that they hold options on something like sixty million feet on the stump. Spurs of railroad track will be projected from different points along the A. C. L. railroad and along the river, and in this way the logs will be frieghted to the mill.

The purchase means much for Wilmington's commercial and shipping interest and the new enterprise will be welcomed with open arms by Wilmingtyn's business men.

PAINT AND POWDER CLUB.

Will Present "A Stranger in a Strange House" for Benefit of Elks.

The "Paint and Powder Club," Wilmington's theatrical organization which scored such a brilliant success last season in presenting the "Merry Maid," will put on this season a laughable four-act farce comedy entitled "A Stranger in a Strange House," and the first performance, which will be given in Wilmington, will be for the benefit of the local lodge of Elks, many of the members of which are also members of the "Paint and Powder Club." Last night at the residence of Mr. W. F. Robertson the first meeting of the club for the season was held, the play read over and the parts assigned to the different persons comprising the cast of characters.

A tour of the principal cities of the State will probably be made after Lent. A committee of Elks will probably be appointed at the next meeting of the order, under whose management the entertainment will be given.

Mr. Ramsey to Visit Wilmington.

On next Tuesday night Mr. Joe Ramsey will address the Epworth League and congregation at Grace Church. He will speak at Fifth Street Church on Wednesday night. Mr. Ramsey is field worker for the Epworth League of the Southern Methodist Church. He is a young man of fine gifts, and is a very entertaining speaker. The general public is cordially invited to these services.

The Markets.

Spirits turpentine continues on the decline and the highest prices at which sales were made yesterday were 52@52½ cents, Rosin is dull at $1.40@$1.45, with tar and crude unchanged.

Cotton is firm at 9 cents for middling and some sales are reported unofficially at slightly above this figure. The opinion prevails with some that the top notch has not yet been reached and that a few weeks hence will find spot cotton bringing ten cents.

A Card.

I would be inhuman if I were unmindful of the very kind expressions about me, both in person and in print, in the last few days. Emanating from so many of my friends, it causes me to welcome them with the deepest gratitude, and to consent to their using my name as a candidate for Treasurer of New Hanover county. Should my fellow citizens deem me worthy and elect me, I trust none will have cause to regret it.

† 4t JAMES I. METTS.

There are many imitations, but none superior or equal to Portner's Old German Bock Beer. †

THE ASSAULT UPON CONTRACTOR CALL.

C. E. Workman is Arrested Upon the Charge of the Crime—Mr. Call Not Fatally Injured.

C. E. Workman, a young white man aged 27 years, who has for a number of years been employed as clerk in several of the small grocery stores in the outskirts of the city, was arrested very early yesterday morning by Police Sergeant Davis, at the house of A. B. Meadows, No. 1123 South Front street, and the charge preferred against him is the murderous assault upon the old contractor, Mr. A. G. Call, the particulars of which were printed in the STAR yesterday. He was taken into custody by the authorities in the light of the positive statement made by Mr. Call immediately after the assault, to the effect that Workman was the man who entered his house and that he recognized him by his voice, it having been familiar by reason of the fact that up to only a few days ago Workman had sleeping apartments in the Call dwelling.

Workman, who is confined in the city prison, denies that he is the assailant of Mr. Call and tells a very plausible story of his whereabouts at the time of the assault. He says that he was at Mr. Call's house about 6 o'clock Thursday evening, and that Mr. Call paid him fifty cents for some locks he had bought for him. The contractor took the money from under the head of his bed, but Workman denies that he saw any sum of money, as Mr. Call alleges. He had bought the locks for him purely as a favor. He claims further that he spent the night at the home of Meadows, having gone there from Mr. Call's, and that he returned to Mr. Call's about 8 o'clock, accompanied by Mrs. Edwards. The two remained at Mr. Call's residence until 9 o'clock. Then they went back to the Meadows house, where he says that he remained until he was arrested this morning.

Sergeant Orrell and Policeman B. M. Leheu went to Mr. Call's house yesterday morning and measured Workman's shoes with tracks found near the door which was entered. The shoes were at least four sizes smaller than the track. A heavy oak hogshead stave was found in the hall of the house and it was probably with this instrument that Mr. Call was struck, as splinters from an oaken piece were taken from the gash in the forehead of the wounded man.

Mr. Call was doing splendidly yesterday morning, but was not so well in the afternoon. His wounds are not now thought to be fatal.

Workman will be given a preliminary hearing Monday. In the mean time he will be kept at the station house.

FEBRUARY HEALTH REPORT.

Remarkably Fine Showing for Healthfulness of City—Sanitary Statement.

The meeting of the board of health was again postponed yesterday afternoon and no definite date has been set for a future meeting.

The report of Dr. W. D. McMillan, the Superintendent of Health, for the month of February shows that during this period 37 deaths have occurred, 10 of the decedents having been white and 27 colored. Of the 10 white deaths 2 were females and 8 males; of the colored deaths 12 were males and 15 females. Two bodies were brought to the city for interment and six transit permits were issued. Eleven cases of smallpox were treated at the pest house but at the close of the month there was not a case of contagious diseases in the city, nor were any quarantines placed during the month for scarlet fever, diphtheria or smallpox. Not a case of typhoid fever was reported during the month and this department of the report is probably the best in years. Four certificates of identification were issued and 1,131 inspections were made by the officers, 619 of the premises having been found in fair condition, and 137 in bad condition. Thirty-eight special inspections were made and 871 closets attended. Lime and acid orders were issued to the number of 104 and 24 rooms were fumigated.

Visited the Sound.

Drs. W. D. McMillan and Richard J. Price visited Wrightsville Sound yesterday to look into the matter of the smallpox case which was sent up from there to the county pest house Thursday afternoon. The negro Brown, who is the patient, came in contact with a number of persons in the neighborhood, but Dr. McMillan thinks there is little possibility of an epidemic. Two white families have been quarantined without guard, and a number of other persons have been vaccinated. Brown has a well developed case, but is doing well.

Cotton Mills Stock.

Delgado Mill stock is still on the rise. One holder that the STAR knows of refused $108 yesterday. Wilmington Mills stock is quoted at $110 offered and $115 asked. Delgado stock is quoted at $108 offered and $110 asked.

Acceptance.

Without my solicitation or knowledge my name has been suggested for the nomination of Sheriff of New Hanover county at the approaching Democratic primaries, and I have consented to be a candidate for the position and to that end, I hereby ask the support of the Democratic voters of the county, promising, if elected, to faithfully and honestly discharge the duties of the position.

† 4t SAMUEL NORTHROP.

Call for and drink Portner's Bock Beer; none better. †

ALMOST A TRAGEDY.

Four Men in a Surrey Drive Into a Swollen Stream With Ten Feet of Water.

ONE HORSE WAS DROWNED.

Mr. J. H. Mallard Came Within an Ace of Losing His Life--He Was Rescued by a Drummer Companion—It Was a Narrow Escape.

Among the arrivals in the city last night over the Yadkin branch of the Atlantic Coast Line were Mr. J. H. Mallard, the well known travelling salesman of the wholesale grocery establishment of the J. C. Stevenson Company, of Wilmington, and Mr. A. Moir Stevens, travelling salesman for the Atlantic Snuff Company, of Philadelphia. These gentlemen had been out on a commercial tour but it was cut short by a serious accident yesterday morning in Chatham county.

With the intention of reaching several villages and country stores, they hired a surrey at Sanford and left there with their sample cases yesterday morning and drove by Cumnock towards Gulf. They had two horses to the surrey and a negro driver was in charge of them. They went along very nicely until they got a short distance beyond Cumnock. Deep river near by is very high on account of a freshet in the up country, and several small streams emptying into it have been swollen by back water from the river about three quarters of a mile away. One stream was crossed safely but the water came into the surrey and the two drummers had to stand upon the seat to keep their feet from getting wet. A short distance beyond they came to Cumnock creek, which was very high from back water and was probably 150 feet wide, though a small stream ordinarily. They doubted whether it would be safe to cross but the driver, who had crossed it many times during high water, said they could get over all right. Mr. Wyke Smith, who lives at the creek, also expressed the opinion that the party could go over safely and volunteered to go across with them.

This gave the drummers confidence, so they put their sample cases on the near seat and got on top of them, while Mr. Smith sat on the front seat with the driver. The party then drove into the creek and in an instant horses, surrey and all went under in ten feet of water. The driver jumped out and swam ashore and left Mr. Smith standing in water neck deep, holding to the reins as best he could. In the mean time, Mr. Stevens climbed out the back of the surrey and got on top, while Mr. Mallard, who could not swim, was floundering around under water, inside the surrey, with his head held down by the top of the vehicle. Mr. Stevens however, clinging to the top of the surrey with one hand, caught Mr. Mallard by the right hand and succeeded in pulling him out and drawing him to the top of the surrey. Mr. Mallard had already been strangled twice and was almost drowned and help less, but Mr. Stevens heroically held on to him and kept him from going off into the deep water.

At the same time, Mr. Smith was lashing the horses with the hope of making them swim out with the surrey, and with the surrey floundering in the water, as the horses surged desperately, it was all that Messrs. Stevens and Mallard could do to hold on to the top and keep their heads above water. In this predicament the horses dragged the surrey against a stump under water and broke out the tongue of the surrey and swam ashore, dragging Mr. Smith out while he held on to the reins.

Messrs. Stevens and Mallard, finding that the surrey was drifting back into the deep channel, were in imminent danger of being drowned. Mr. Stevens, being the only one of them able to swim, would not desert Mr. Mallard, but bravely swam and dragged him about twenty-five feet, where they could touch bottom. Mr. Smith then came from the shore and assisted Mr. Stevens in getting Mr. Mallard out of the water.

Neither the driver or Mr. Smith were much the worse for their experience, though being wet and cold, but Mr. Mallard was in a bad condition and Mr. Stevens was very nearly exhausted by his gallant efforts to save his friend. The horses were also exhausted, and one of them died after getting ashore.

Messrs. Stevens and Mallard got up to Gulf in a wagon, and after getting dry clothes, came on to Wilmington. Mr. Stevens made his headquarters at The Orton, and last night was in pretty good shape, but Mr. Mallard had to take to his bed at his home, 213 North Fifth street. He had a chill on the train while coming home, and last night was suffering from nervous prostration. At 10 o'clock he was much better, but he is suffering greatly with his right arm, which is very much bruised, while the sinews were terribly sore from the result of the pulling which Mr. Stevens had to do to save him.

Both drummers lost their baggage, as the surrey was under water and out of sight when they left the scene of the accident.

— Mr. Stephen Graham, an uncle of our esteemed townsman, Captain W. R. Kenan, died yesterday at his home in Kenansville, N. C., in the 78th year of his age.

Portner's Old German Bock Beer is the best in the market. †

LITERARY DEPARTMENT OF THE N. C. SOROSIS.

Superintendent Blair Delivers an Address on Architecture in Literature and History.

The Literary Department of the North Carolina Sorosis held its regular meeting at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the club rooms, on Fifth and Orange streets. Mrs. George H. Locey, chairman of the Department, presided and there was a full attendance of members.

The feature of the meeting was an address by Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of city schools, who had been invited to speak on some topic within the scope of the Department's work. Mrs. Locey introduced Mr. Blair in few well chosen remarks.

Mr. Blair spoke on the subject of "Architecture in Literature and History," and for an hour he entertained the ladies with an address that was notable for its thoroughness of research, the systematic sequence in which the facts were presented and the admirable phrasing in which his thoughts were expressed. From the prehistoric period of the cliff dwellers he followed up the subject as man's knowledge increased, and cited the progress in architecture up to this utilitarian age of beautiful homes, magnificent public buildings and handsome sacred edifices. He made frequent references to descriptions of edifices in story and rhyme and history, and in his remarks he alluded to the fact that one need not go outside of Wilmington to find good models of architecture, specifying the City Hall, with its symmetrical Corinthian portico, the Postoffice building, several churches and many residences. He spoke of colonial architecture and the architecture of America and Europe, making special reference to ancient and modern architecture in England. The address was quite interesting and instructive, and was highly appreciated by the intellectual ladies he had for his audience.

TOWN CREEK IMPROVEMENT.

Work Finished Up Early This Week—Black River Next in Order.

The government stump puller *General H. C. Wright*, Capt. P. T. Dickey, early this week finished up the dredging and other improvements to Town Creek, and Capt. R. M. Capps, who has been employed on the works, told a reporter yesterday that this water course is now in excellent condition for navigation by those boats which ply up the stream.

Boats drawing five feet of water may now pass safely up and down the creek and the improvement in great measure is considered permanent. About $8,500 was the appropriation available for this work and it is learned that this amount has been practically exhausted and no more work of any consequence can be done until a new appropriation is secured.

The *General Wright* came up to the city last evening and will in a few days begin work removing obstructions in Black river, commencing at the point up the stream to which the river is navigable and working this way. After the Black river work is completed, it is probable that some work will be done in Northeast river.

HARBOR SHIPPING NEWS.

Lumber Schooner Cleared for New York. Other Notes from the Wharf.

The tug *Protector* proceeded yesterday with two barges in tow for Charleston, S. C.

The schooner *C. C. Wehrum*, laden with lumber for New York, passed out at Southport yesterday morning at 8.30 o'clock.

The Clyde steamship *Saginaw* is in port from her Georgetown trip, and will sail this afternoon or early tomorrow morning for New York. The *Oneida* will be here Tuesday.

The river steamers *Hurt*, from Fayetteville, and *Hawes*, from Clear Run, arrived yesterday morning and cleared in the afternoon for their respective return trips. The *Seabright* will probably clear for Little River, S. C., this morning.

The schooner *Oliver Scofield*, Captain Bragg, was cleared yesterday by Messrs. George Harriss, Son & Co. for New York with a cargo of 441,963 feet of lumber from the Hilton Lumber Company. She was towed to Southport yesterday afternoon by the tug *Jones*.

Funeral of Mrs. McLaurin.

The funeral of Mrs. Joseph McLaurin, who departed this life on Thursday, took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. The Rev. A. D. McClure, the pastor, and the Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church, conducted the services, after which the remains were borne to Oakdale cemetery and sorrowfully deposited in the tomb. Beautiful floral tributes were tenderly laid upon the grave. The pall-bearers were Messrs. John E. Crow, H. M. Foard, W. H. Sprunt J. F. Gause, Thomas R. Post and Dr. A. M. McDonald.

FOR SHERIFF,

FRANK H. STEDMAN.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. D. J. Bledsoe, of Stedman, N. C., was a visitor to the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. A. Duncan, of Apex, was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. W. Miller, of Rocky Point, made business calls in the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. A. Murphy, of Atkinson, N. C., was a visitor at the STAR office yesterday.

— Senator J. W. S. Robinson, of Bladen, was here making business calls yesterday.

—Mr. J. A. Cavanaugh, of Wallace, came down to the city on business last evening.

— Mr. Sam Powell, of Charleston, manager of the parlor markets there and here, arrived in the city yesterday.

— W. H. Pope, Esq., of Fayetteville, attorney for the Atlantic Coast Line, was a guest of The Orton yesterday.

—Messrs. D. M. High, John Wyatt, E. L. King, S. High and P. Lennon, of Clarkton, spent yesterday in the city.

—Mr. W. E. Worth returned yesterday from Macon, Ga., where he attended the convention of Southern Ice Manufacturers.

— Messrs. J. R. McMillan, B. J. Sandlin, C. T. Wallace and M. Bowles, of Red Springs, were in the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. W. Barnes has returned from a visit through the eastern section of the State and reports fine trucking prospects.

— Mr. John VanB. Metts has been confined to his room for the past two days with sickness. He hopes, however, to be out again soon.

— Capt. Eben Piner, the clever gate keeper at the A. C. L. passenger shed, was off duty yesterday on account of sickness. Mr. Forney Jollye was in his stead.

—Mr. C. H. Wolfe, who has been in the city for the past ten days demonstrating the working of the new road machinery, left yesterday afternoon for his home at Charlotte.

—Dr. Cyrus Thompson, Secretary of State for North Carolina, was here yesterday and left on the evening train for Raleigh. He was returning from Onslow county where he was called by the serious illness of his sister, Mrs. C. T. Sanders, who is sick at the residence of her brother in-law Sheriff F. W. Hargett at Jacksonville.

BILL TO REDUCE RATE OF POSTAGE.

Introduced in the House by Mr. Bellamy. Referred to Committee.

Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy has introduced in the House "a bill to reduce the rate of postage on first class mail matter to one cent for each half ounce or fraction thereof," and the same has been referred to the Committee on the Postoffice and Post-Roads and ordered to be printed:

The full text of the bill is as follows:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That on and after the first day of July nineteen hundred, on all matter of the first class, as defined by chapter one hundred and eighty of the laws of Congress, approved March third, eighteen hundred and seventy-nine, entitled "An Act making appropriations for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty, and for other purposes," and by that Act declared subject to postage at the rate of three cents for each half ounce or fraction thereof, and by the Act approved March third, eighteen hundred and eighty-three, entitled "An Act making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department for the fiscal year ending June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and eighty four, and other purposes," reduced to two cents for each half ounce or fraction thereof, postage shall be charged at the rate of one cent for each half ounce or fraction thereof.

Sec. 2. That all Acts so far as they fix a rate of postage different than that herein provided on such first-class matter are to that extent hereby repealed.

"THE AMERICAN GIRL."

At the Opera House This Afternoon and Night—Sale of Seats.

"The American Girl," Mr. Donnelly's latest effort, is said to be a departure from conventional lines, as it is a bright, vigorous and dramatic play, without the aid of any sensational clap trap scenic effects. The story has heart interest as well as comedy. The plot turns upon the folly of a young English artist of good family, who went to America to paint, but poverty led him to assume a false name, under which he clandestinely married a young Virginia girl. It is said that the cast is praiseworthy for its uniform strength and they give the interesting play a well balanced and finished performance. Two children, Prince Roy and the Little Lady, are really wonderful. The talent displayed by these two little tots is remarkable. Matinee prices, 15, 25 and 50 cents.

Insist on having Portner's Book Beer, and have no other. †

The East Carolina Real Estate Agency will sell for cash, or will exchange for desirable house and lot in Wilmington, a farm of 272 acres, three miles from Rose Hill. Address R. G. Grady & Co., Burgaw, N.C. †

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

IT IS A MISTAKE

As stated in yesterday's "Messenger," that there are no Business Houses FOR RENT One of the most desirable stores in the city now occupied by Fishblate Clothing Company

will be vacant from Oct. 1st.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Breakfast Cereals

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MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon	1	6:25 a. m.	Full Moon	16	3:12 a. m.
First Quarter	8	0:34 a. m.	Third Quarter	24	0:36 a. m.
			New Moon	30	3:30 p. m.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 3.

THE MERCENARY ARGUMENT.

Senator McLaurin, of South Carolina, is one of the few Democratic Senators who favors or undertakes to defend the policy of expansion by force. His advocacy of this monstrous policy is all the more notable because he is in such small Democratic company. His argument is not conspicuous for any particular force or originality for it was simply a reiteration of what had been frequently said before by the Republican supporters of the administration, but his speech was conspicuous for the semi-apology he made for the small number of expansionists in his State by saying that "the effort has been made in my own State to suppress all information and arouse public sentiment against expansion."

Who has been doing this? We see a good many South Carolina papers and they give about as much information as to the Philippines, and discuss the question of expansion about as freely, fairly and intelligently as the papers of other States do, so that it isn't easy to guess what Senator McLaurin means when he says "effort has been made to suppress all information." Have the anti-expansionists control of the post offices in South Carolina so that they can close them against expansion literature as the Post Office Department at Washington did against the anti-expansion literature of Edward Atkinsion and other anti-expansionists? We incline to the opinion that Senator McLaurin went considerably out of his way to account for the fewness and farness between of expansionists in South Carolina when he said this, and that efforts had been made to create an anti-expansion sentiment.

There never was any expansion sentiment, worth speaking about, in South Carolina or in any other Southern State, and hence the gentlemen who undertook to create an anti-expansion sentiment undertook an altogether unnecessary job. Right before that he had said, speaking of Southern farmers, not simply South Carolina farmers, "fealty to party, I fear, and misleading information, has produced among them opposition to territorial expansion." He knows that the Southern farmers are opposed to this territorial expanbut "fears" that this is due to "party fealty" and to "misinformation," while the farmers of South Carolina are not in favor of expansion because efforts have been made to keep them in the dark as to the beauties of expansion by "suppressing all information." But why hasn't Senator McLaurin hustled and enlightened them? There are stacks of speeches in Washington which he might have sent them under his frank, and he might have made several speeches on this question himself. Surely that kind of literature would have free run in the mails.

The Senator drew a graphic picture of the South's progress, past, present and prospective; told how industrial plants were springing up and how money was seeking investment in the South, all of which is true. But wouldn't it strike one on reading this that the South was doing pretty well without the Philippines, or any territorial plundering on the other side of the earth?

But, like all the balance of the statesmen who talk about carrying the blessings of civilization, liberty, etc., to the benighted denizens of other lands, he settled down at last on the mercenary plea which is the strong and strongest one with the expansionists, who in applying it entirely ignore the commandment, "Thou shall not steal." Our Southern manufacturers," he says, "have already reached out to the markets of the Orient and discovered their advantages." They did that before the Philippines figured in this business or were thought of at all in this connection. "The Southern farmer," he continues, "needs such markets for his raw cotton to make its production remunerative." How is this? He had just said that "our Southern manufacturers had reached out to the markets of the Orient and discovered their advantages," and after discovering their advantages he wants the Southern farmers to send a lot of raw cotton there, so that the mills in China and the mills that will be established in the Philippies where they will have lots of "cheap pauper labor," can make the goods to supply the markets of the Orient and deprive our manufacturers of their "advantages." There is one thing dead sure, and that is that the Orient cannot furnish a profitable market for the raw cotton the Southern farmers produce and for the goods our Southern manufacturers make. Every bale of cotton they buy and manufacture reduces to that extent the importation of manufactured goods from other countries.

But even if there were no conflict or hitch in these two statements, and it were true that the Orient will furnish a market for much manufactured goods, and much raw cotton, and to make sure of this we must hold the Philippines by force, isn't it the mercenary plea that flies in the face of the command, "Thou shalt not steal?" Summed up, it simply means that the holding of these islands will extend our trade and put dollars in our pockets, therefore, we must hold them and smother our consciences, and prove false to the teachings of the Fathers of the Republic and to the practices of a century. The United States never bought a square mile of territory with the predetermined intention of making a colony out of it and governing it differently from the way in which other territory under their flag was governed. There have been, as Senator McLaurin says, expansionists among the fathers. But they were expansionists who were honest, paid for what they got and didn't put up any false pretences to justify breaking pledges and waging war on a confiding, betrayed people. When comparison is made between those expansionists and the present land-grabbers it is a gratuitous insult to the memory of the honored dead.

SILK MANUFACTURING

Although silk manufacturing has not attracted as much attention as some of our other manufacturing industries it is making rapid progress and attaining large proportions. In view of this fact and that this industry has been added to the other textile industries of North Carolina, the following, which we clip from the Boston *Commercial Bulletin* will be interesting:

"The statistics bearing upon our imports of raw silk indicate a remarkable increase of late in the volume of domestic silk manufacture. It appears from the Government reports that there were received here during 1899 cocoons, reeled and waste silk to the value of $43 546 873 against $37,178 989 for the preceding year. We are now making fully $100,000,000 worth of silk fabrics, or within twenty or twenty-five per cent. of the total requirements of the country. We have imported as high as $39 000,000 worth of manufactured silk in a year; but, not withstanding our large capacity for buying the past twelve months, our purchases of foreign made material of this class amounted to but $37,800,000.

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"The ingenuity of our designers has been turned to the production of silk goods in various grades. The success that has followed their efforts is best seen in the increased consumption of goods of domestic make and the diminishing imports of similar goods from abroad. But it is not only in the matter of volume that we are excelling, but in quality as well. Right here in New England as good black silk dress goods are being made as in Lyons or any other foreign centre, while several of our cotton mills have taken up the weaving of silk and cotton fabrics with the most satisfactory results. The business has long since passed the stage when there was any occasion for fear regarding its future, and there are, in fact, few industries that have given a better account of themselves than has American silk manufacture, or that, taking one year with another, is more likely to yield satisfactory returns to those engaged in it."

These figures are pretty good proof that the manufacture of silk has become an established industry and that it has come to stay. But we import the raw material, and the next thing in order, before the industry will be a thoroughly American one, will be to raise the raw material ourselves, which can be done, for this country is as well adapted to silk culture as any other, especially the southern portion of it. But the probabilities are that a good deal of the material used by the mills is artificial silk, in the making of which much progress has been made in Europe within the past few years.

A New York merchant who was becoming inconveniently corpulent adopted the method of taking a fast to reduce his flesh. He went for thirty-five days without eating any food, his only nourishment being three pints of water a day. At the end he came out 164 pounds against the 207 he carried in. He thinks he has otherwise been benefitted, some ailments with which he was threatened having been starved out. And then he saved the cost of thirty-five days' rations, while attending to business as usual.

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The war against the Boers was brought about under hypocritical pretences, which did not deceive everybody, but did deceive the masses of the British people, but now that they have had a few victories, the leaders in this war have become elated, thrown off the disguise and confess the real animus that inspired them. In the jubilation in London over the raising of the siege of Ladysmith, the Lord Mayor in addressing the people assembled around the Town Hall said: "I thank the Almighty God for the glorious news. We have awaited it patiently. We are satisfied that under the humane laws and government of this country the Boers, in a very short time, will be loyal citizens to the British empire."

The war was precipitated ostensibly for the purpose of redressing the grievances of the Outlanders, and to secure them the rights to which it was claimed they were entitled. That's all. It was emphatically denied that there were any designs upon the two Boer Republics, or any intention to encroach upon them. But the Boers understood it, and prepared for the war, which they saw was inevitable, and hence the Orange Free State, although not a party to the original dispute, made common cause with the Transvaal Republic, because it knew it would be doomed if the Transvaal fell.

The history of events, and the confessions of English war leaders are justifying the apprehensions and the action of the Boers, and are showing up the hypocrisy that covered the plundering conspiracy that has forced Great Britain into a war that has already cost her millions of dollars and thousands of lives, and will cost her many millions more and many thousands more of lives, and will end in infamy to her, although she may succeed in grabbing their land, and in planting her flag over these outnumbered people. It is a conclusion that accords with the British treatment of the Boers from the beginning, running back a hundred years, and all for the gold diggers and territorial expanders.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three Physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying "Electric Bitters;" and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store.

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JUSTIFYING THE SOUTH.

Whether consciously or not, the Republican statesmen who are supporting the Administration policy of expansion are justifying every effort by the Southern States to eliminate the ignorant element of negroes from the control of public affairs. These statesmen legislated and tried for years to put the negroes on the same political plane with the white people, and to give them an equal voice in the Government of the States. The people of the South bore it and suffered and suffered and bore it until finally when the suffering became intolerable they made a supreme effort, threw off the incubus, routed the leaders of this black host and took control of their own affairs. And they were denounced for this as if they had done some treasonable act, for which they deserved not only condemnation, but punishment.

And yet some of the very men who have been foremost in denouncing them insist that when suffrage is permitted in our acquisitions from Spain it shall be qualified so far as to protect them from the domination of the ignorant and incompetent element, and they are not to be permitted to have self-government, if ever, until they demonstrate to the powers that be that they are qualified, according to the American idea, to govern themselves. Some of them go so far as to now insist that none of these acqusitions shall ever be admitted to statehood, or be allowed to have any voice in the making of laws to govern them or the country.

Why? Because they are Asiatics, not all negroes, but of elements that do not readily assimilate with us. But they would subject the Southern States to negro domination, to negroes who in their fitness for self-government bear no comparison to those Asiatics. Surely these statesmen are vindicating the white people of the South who object to negro domination, and are stopping their own mouths against further adverse criticism.

It is said that Congressman Allen, of Mississippi, has ceased to be funny and is now one of the most serious men in Washington. That jolt he got when he was running for Senator from his State, seems to have knocked all the fun out of him. Unfortunate is the statesman who establishes a reputation as a humorists, for people do not look for anything else from him, and would expect him to be funny at his own funeral.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Charlotte *News*: A prominent mill man, who has cotton as well as machinery on the brain, says the out look for 12 cent cotton is good. "I don't think there is a doubt but that it will go to 12 cents," said he. Every farmer who owns a bale looks upon it as a big nugget of gold.

— Charlotte *Observer*: Mr. William Boyd, one of the most prosperous farmers of the lower part of the county, sold to J W. Miller & Co., of this city, 20 bales of cotton yesterday, 11 of which had been stored away in an old barn 25 years, and 9 of which had been on hand for 10 years. The price paid for the cotton yesterday was 9 cents.

— Southport *Standard:* A party of surveyors composed of Southport men is expected to leave here this week under direction of the United States Engineer Office for Fayetteville, where they will begin the survey of the Cape Fear River to Wilmington. The party will be composed of about a dozen men, and the work will require about two months.

— Red Springs *Record*: The indications are that a larger acreage of cotton will be planted. Providence helped farmers last year by cutting off the yield, causing better prices, and farmers should help themselves by using good common sense, not plant too much, nor use too much guano, as it is getting to be too costly.

— Monroe *Enquirer*: Mr. W. C. Wolfe, of Sandy Ridge township, had a bale of his celebrated long staple cotton on the market here Saturday. The bale was sold for $60.35. —A known cotton mill man tells us that there is an exodus of mill operatives to the farms. The high price of cotton leads the mill hands to believe that there is more money to be made by the plow and hoe than by the looms.

— Mount Airy *News*: It is a painful duty to chronicle the sudden and entirely unexpected death of our young and esteemed friend, Mr. C. L Banner, Jr., who breathed his last in Richmond, Va., Monday morning, February 26, 1900, at 3 o'clock. Mr. Banner went to Richmond to have an operation performed and died during the operation or just afterward. —— The farmers of this section look for a big fruit crop this year. The weather so far has been most favorable and a large crop of all kinds of fruits and berries is expected.

—Scotland Neck *Commonwealth*: Mr. James Shirley died in Greenwood Saturday morning, aged 66 years. — Mrs. Edward Debrule died at her home a few miles in the country Friday February 23, aged about 38 years. —Some two or three months ago Mr. N. D. Parks, of Tillery, lost his barn and stables, and perhaps a horse by fire. He thought it the work of an incediary. A white man named Levy Merritt who was at work for Mr. Parks had been discharged the day before the burning occurred that night. Suspicion rested upon Merritt, but he was not arrested until last week. Under a warrant he was arrested by Mr. C. W. Dunn and brought before Mayor J. A. Perry. The evidence seemed sufficient to bind him over to court, and he was accordingly bound over.

TWINKLINGS.

—"What is the single tax, mamma?" "I don't know. Don't you worry about it, child. Your papa will find some way to get out of paying it." —*Chicago Tribune.*

"Mother," said Tommy, who was bending over his slate, "I wish I was a rabbit." "Why?" "Because pa says rabbits multiply so rapidly." —*Yonkers Statesman.*

— "I begin to think that Herr Seadie really has some power in that little tenor voice of his. He actually touched me for a moment." "Yes; he touched me for a five."—*Cleveland Plain-Dealer.*

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Judging from the action of the House of Representatives, the fireworks burned by the Porto Ricians on the approach of the American Army of invasion involved a waste of money.—*Baltimore Herald, Ind.*

—— Fifty thousand dollars a day for fifty-seven days! These are the figures representing the investments in cotton manufacturing planned in South Carolina since the beginning of the year. Nearly 3,000,000 in less than two months, while several counties yet to hear from; 19 mills with an average capitalization of nearly 150,000—How is that for one little State in eight weeks?—*Columbia State, Dem.*

—— Claims for indemnity for losses of American citizens by reason of the Cuban insurrection, which but for the treaty of Paris would have been presented to the Spanish Government, must be eventually paid by the United States under the terms of the treaty agreement. There are already more than $10,000,000 of such claims in sight, all to be litigated over and used finally as a basis for continued assaults on the Federal Treasury. They will take in the next generation, no doubt, the place occupied in the earlier years of the Republic by the now musty and moss grown French spoliation claims.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—30 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 2 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—52 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 7 barrels rosin, 42 barrels tar, 10 barrels crude.

A. & Y. Railroad—6 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 104 barrels rosin, 26 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—19 barrels rosin.

C. C. Railroad—3 bales cotton, 9 barrels tar, 10 barrels crude.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—11 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 80 barrels rosin, 108 barrels tar.

Steamer E. A. Hawes—3 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 63 barrels rosin, 79 barrels tar.

Steamer Driver—2 bales cotton, 100 barrels rosin, 216 barrels tar.

Steamer Crœsus—18 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 107 bales; spirits turpentine, 11 casks; rosin, 373 barrels; tar, 500 barrels; crude turpentine, 20 barrels.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, March 3.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market nominal at 52½ cents per gallon for machine made casks and 52 cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market dull at $1.40 per barrel for strained and $1.45 for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1.30 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at $2.00 per barrel for hard, $3.25 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—spirits turpentine firm at 44½@44c rosin firm at 90@95c; tar firm at $1 00; crude turpentine firm at $1.35@2 40

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	11
Rosin	373
Tar	500
Crude turpentine	20

Receipts same day last year.—41 casks spirits turpentine, 528 bbls rosin, 253 bbls tar, 31 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6 9-16 cts.	₱ lb
Good ordinary	7 15-16	" "
Low middling	8 9 16	" "
Middling	9	" "
Good middling	9¼	" "

Same day last year middling firm at 6c.

Receipts—107 bales; same day last year, 120.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70 cents; extra prime, 75 cts. per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm; 53 to 53½ cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 85 cents; upland 50@60c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $2.25 to $3.25; six inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to $9.00 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Money on call was steady; actual transactions ranging from 2¼@3 per cent., last loan at 2¾. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5½ per ct. Sterling exchange easy; actual business in bankers' bills at 486¼@468½ for demand and 483¼@483 for sixty days. Posted rates 484¼ and 487½@488. Commercial bills 483@483¼. Silver certificates 59¼@60¼. Bar silver 59⅝. Mexican dollars 47¼. Government bonds easy. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds easier. U. S. 3's, reg'd, 103; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 111¼; do. coupon, 111¼; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 137½; do. coupon, 137½; U. S old 4's, reg'd, 116½; do. coupon, 117½; U. S. 5's, reg'd 115½; do. coupon, 115½; N. C. 6's 127 b; do. 4's, 105 b; Southern R'y 5's 108¼. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 61; Chesapeake & Ohio 28½; Manhattan L 93½, New York Central 133¾; Reading 18½; do. 1st prefer'd 58¾; St. Paul 120¾; do. preferred 171; Southern Railway 13¼; do. preferred 58; American Tobacco, 104¾, do. preferred 135¼; People's Gas 95¾; Sugar 97½; do. preferred 106; T. C. & Iron 93½; U. S Leather 11¼; do. preferred 71; Western Union 81¼.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Rosin was dull. Spirits turpentine steady.

CHARLESTON, March 2.—Spirits turpentine firm at 52c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels. Prices unchanged.

SAVANNAH, March 2.—Spirits turpentine firm at 53c; sales 193 casks; receipts 175 casks; exports 60 casks. Rosin firm; sales 1,649 barrels; receipts 3,006 barrels; exports 822 barrels. Prices unchanged.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The volume of business in cotton to-day was smaller than for any day this week; a fact partly explained by poor telegraphic service, wires being still down West and South. However, after an exciting opening at an advance of five to ten points, a large business was transacted within a range of twelve points, the general tendency of the market being towards lower prices under a disposition to take profits. The short interest in May and August is said to be very heavy and buying of these positions prevented a greater decline. Local traders were afraid to sell, owing to the shortage in May and August and also to the continued public confidence in cotton and the talk of ten cents at New York and six pence at Liverpool by influential people. This kept the market in a nervous condition all day and held down the volume of transactions very materially. In the afternoon trade was very quiet with the business at an advance of three to 5 points until just before the close when there was an active selling movement which closed the market at three points net lower to seven points net higher.

NEW YORK, March 2.—Cotton dull; middling uplands 9¼c.

Cotton futures closed easy: March 9 20, April 9.20, May 9.21, June 9.21, July 9.22, August 9.15, September 8.37, October 8.00, November 7.90, December 7.87, January 7.91.

Spot cotton closed steady and 1-16c higher; middling uplands 9¼c; middling gulf 9¼c; sales 110 bales.

Net receipts 775 bales; gross receipts 1,923 bales; exports to the Continent 47 bales; stock 135,908 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 19,354 bales; exports to Great Britain 17,574 bales; exports to France 405 bales; exports to the Continent 2,270 bales; stock 947,935 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 135,901 bales; exports to Great Britain 118,046 bales; exports to France 17,808 bales; exports to the Continent 67,847 bales. Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,483,533 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,599,545 bales; exports to France 589,335 bales; exports to the Continent 1,811,604 bales.

March 2—Galveston, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 2,081 bales: Norfolk, firm at 9¼, net receipts 1,086 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9½c, net receipts 942 bales: Boston, dull at 9 7 16c, net receipts 154 bales: Wilmington, firm at 9, net receipts 107 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 9¼c, net receipts 140 bales; Savannah, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 3 403 bales; New Orleans, firm at 9 1 16c net receipts 7,114 bales; Mobile, firm at 9c, net receipts 22 bales; Memphis, firm at 9—, net receipts 470 bales; Augusta steady at 9¼c, net receipts 750 bales; Charleston, firm a 9½, net receipts 1,810 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 2—Flour was weak, being shaded a little on some grades; winter straights $3 40@3 50. Wheat—Spot firm; No 2 red 73½c; options were generally weak and heavy nearly all day under big Argentine shipments, lower English markets, large Northwest receipts and favorable crop news, all of which prompted active liquidation. In the last hour the market rallied on covering and closed firm at unchanged prices to ½c net advance. Quoted: March closed 73½c; May closed 71⅝c; July closed 71¼c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 41¾c; options opened easy and remained under bear control most of the day without showing much decline. Cables, the break in wheat and reports of larger country acceptances all helped the weakness. The close was steady at a partial ½c decline, influenced by the final strength in wheat; May closed 40c; July 40½. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2, 28½c; options quiet and easy. Lard quiet Pork quiet. Molasses steady. Butter firm; Western creamery 20@25c; State dairy 18@24c, Petroleum steady. Eggs—State and Pennsylvania 16@18c at mark. Cheese firm; fall made fancy small 13c; fall made fancy large 13@14¼c. Potatoes steady; New Jersey $1 25@1 50, New York $1 50@1 75, Long Island $2 00; Jersey sweets $2 25@2 75. Freights to Liverpool firm. Tallow dull and easy. Cabbage steady; Long Island $4 00@6 00 per 100. Cotton seed oil inactive and still barely steady, with no further change in quotations. Prime crude, in barrels, 33½@34; prime summer yellow 36½@37c; off summer yellow nominal; butter grades 38@39c, nominal; prime winter yellow 39@40c; prime white 39@40c; prime meal $24 00. Coffee—Spot Rio nominal; No 7 invoice 8 3 16c; No. 7 jobbing 8 11 16c; mild quiet; Cordova 9¼@14c. Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 3 13 16c; centrifugal 4 11 16c

CHICAGO, March 2—The wheat market opened weak to day on the heavy Argentine shipments and lower Liverpool cables, but recovered on a better cash demand, closing firm, May a shade over yesterday. May corn closed a shade lower. May oats unchanged and provisions market 2½@5c improved.

CHICAGO, March 2—Cash quotations: Flour slow. Wheat—No. 3 spring 61@65c; No 2 red 67@68¼c. Corn—No. 2, 33¾. Oats—No. 2 23@23½c; No. 2 white 25½@26c. No. 3 white 25½@26c. Pork, per barrel, $9 60@10 60 Lard, per 100 lbs $5 70@5 77½ Short rib sides loose, $5 70@5 95 Dry salted shoulders, $6 25@6 50 Short clear sides, boxed, $5 90@6 00. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 24

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 March 64¼, 64¼, 64¼, 64½c; May 65⅝@65¾, 65⅝, 64⅝, 65¾; July 65⅝@65⅝, 66¼@66¾, 65¾, 66¼@66¾c Corn—No. 2 March 33¼, 33¼, 33¼, 33¼; May 34⅝@34¼, 34⅜, 34⅝, 34¾c; July 34¼, 34⅜@35, 34¾, 34⅝; September 35¼, 35⅝, 35⅜, 35½c. Oats—May 23¼, 23½@23¾, 23¼, 23½@23½c; July 22¼, 22¼, 22¾, 23¼. Pork, per bbl—May $10 47½, 10 65, 10 45, 10 60; July $10 52½, 10 70, 10 52½, 10 65. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $5 82½, 5 90, 5 82½, 5 87½; July $5 92½, 5 97½, 5 90, 5 97½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $5 77½, 5 87½, 5 75, 5 85; July $5 80, 5 87½, 5 80, 5 87½.

BALTIMORE, March 2.—Flour dull and lower to sell, prices unchanged. Wheat steadier; No. 2 red 70½c—Spot and March 70¼@¾, May 70¾@7⅛c; Southern wheat by sample 65@71½c. Corn dull and easy; mixed 38½c; Spot and March 38½@38⅝c; April 38⅛@38¼c; Southern white and yellow corn 40@41c. Oats steady—No. 2 white 31½@32c.

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, March 2, 4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot in moderate demand; prices 1 16d higher. American middling fair, 5½d; good middling 5 7 16d; middling 5 ⅜d; low middling 5¼d; good ordinary 5 1-16d; ordinary 4⅞d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 800 were for speculation and export and included 7,300 American. Receipts 5,000 bales, all American.

Futures opened quiet and closed very steady at the advance. American middling (l. m. c.)—March 5 18 64@5 19-64d value; March and April 5 16-64d buyer; April and May 5 11 64d buyer; May and June 5 7-16d value; June and July 5 4 64@5 5 64d value; May and June 5 5 64d buyer; August and September 4 59-64d@4 60 64d buyer; September and October 4 39 64d value; October and November 4 29 64d seller; November and December 4 24 64d seller; December and January 4 22 64@4 23 64d seller.

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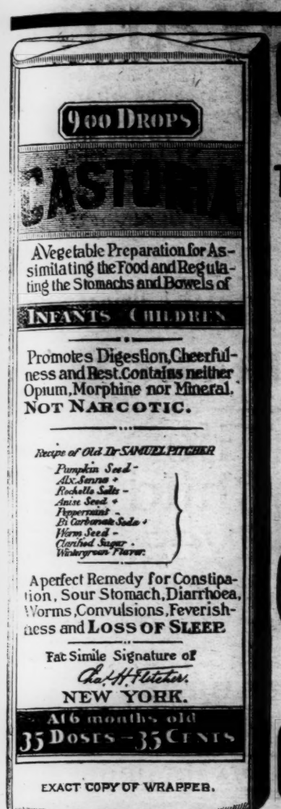

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Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 5:45 A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A. M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M., Sanford 9:52 A. M., Raleigh 11:13 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

Train 103—Leaves Washington 5:00 . M., Richmond 9:00 P M., Portsmouth 8:45 M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:53 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

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Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:40 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:53 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:30 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 403—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 9:30 P M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:10 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 2:00 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 9:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

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Moth Miller, 2:07¾, pacing, is being barred in the free for alls, in New England.

Lady of the Manor, 2:04¼, pacing, is the fastest performer at either gait bred by Village Farm.

Last winter Lord Vincent sold for $1,600. This summer, it is said, $20,000 has been refused for him.

At Santa Rosa, Cal., in the recent meeting, ten green pacers started in the 2:30 class and not one wore hobbles. Heats were paced from 2:13 to 2:18.

Mr. F. E. Powell of Columbus, O., an enthusiastic member of the Gentleman's Driving club, is the owner of Egozen, b h, record 2:06¼, and it is believed can pull a wagon in 2:08 or better.

Tessie S, 2:16¼, is remarkably inbred to Belmont. Her dam is by Nutwood, son of Belmont, her second dam by Monte Carlo, grandson of Belmont, and her third dam is Watersprite, by Belmont.

Bayswater Wilkes, sire of Kelly Briggs, the fast California 4-year-old, is by Sable Wilkes, dam Fanny Bayswater, thoroughbred, by Bayswater, son of Lexington. Kelly Briggs went in 2:10½ in his first race.

George W. Nelson writes us from Baden that Que Allen trotted at that place Aug. 15 on a 1,000 meter track in 2:09 9-10, 2:11, 2:08 2-5. This is the fastest time ever made over such a track, which is less than three-quarters of a mile in length.—Turf, Field and Farm.

ORIGIN OF DISHES' NAMES.

The sandwich is called for the Earl of Sandwich.

Mulligatawny is from an east India word meaning pepper water.

Waffle is from wafel, a word of Teutonic origin, meaning honeycomb.

Gooseberry fool is a corruption of gooseberry foule, milled or pressed gooseberries.

Hominy is from anhuminea, the North American Indian word for parched corn.

Succotash is a dish borrowed from the Narragansett Indians and called by them m'sickquatash.

Forcement is a corruption of farcemeat, from the French farce, stuffing—i. e., meat for stuffing.

Blancmange means literally white food; hence chocolate blancmange is something of a misnomer.

Charlotte is a corruption of the old English word charlyt, which means a dish of custard, and charlotte russe is Russian charlotte.

Macaroni is taken from a Greek derivation which means "the blessed dead," in allusion to the ancient custom of eating it at feasts for the dead.

Meets Them Everywhere.

Tired Treadwell—Dis is a werry small world, after all.

Sauntering Sam—Wot makes you t'ink so?

Tired Treadwell—Hardly a day goes by but what I meet somebody I've panhandled in some other state.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Democratic Primaries.

NOTICE.

All white men who wish to join the movement for the promotion of good government, and who honestly intend to support the Democratic nominees, are invited to participate in a primary election which is hereby called to be held in the several wards and townships of New Hanover county on Thursday, March 22d, 1900, at the following hours:

Polls in the city will be open at 8 o'clock A. M. and close at 7 P. M.

Polls in the precincts outside of the city of Wilmington will open at 9 o'clock and close at 4 o'clock P. M.

The Primary Election is called for the purpose of nominating candidates for the following county offices:

Sheriff, Register of Deeds, County Treasurer, County Coroner, County Surveyor, two members of the House of Representatives.

Also, a Senator for New Hanover and Brunswick counties.

The said Primary Election is also called for the purpose of electing five executive committeemen for each precinct, and delegates to the county convention which is hereby called to meet on Saturday, March 31st, 1900, in the Court House in Wilmington for the purpose of electing delegates to the State and District Conventions and for the purpose of ratifying the action of the primaries.

At the close of the election the poll-holders shall immediately count the votes and make returns in duplicate to the County Executive Committee, at the Court House, signed by at least two of the poll-holders.

The County Executive Committee shall certify the result to the County Convention which shall ratify the action of the people in the primaries by declaring the candidates who received a majority of the aggregate vote cast in the county for the respective offices the regular nominees of the Democratic Party.

In the event that no candidate receives a majority of the vote cast for the office for which he stood, then a second primary shall be held on Tuesday, March 27th, 1900, which primary shall be governed by the same rules and regulations which governed the first primary, and the only candidates voted for shall be the two which received the highest vote in the first primary. Votes cast for any other persons shall not be counted.

There shall be only one voting place in each ward and township, except that in Harnett township there shall be two, one of which shall be located at or near the Delgado Mills.

Ballot boxes shall be provided as follows: At each voting place there shall be one box properly labelled for County Officers; one box for Legislative Candidates; and one box for each precinct where there is more than one precinct in the ward or township, in which votes for precinct executive committeemen and delegates to the county convention shall be cast.

Candidates for county offices shall be voted for on one ballot; candidates for legislative offices shall be voted for on one ballot; and executive committeemen and delegates to the county convention shall be voted for on one ballot.

The following inspectors of election and pollholders have been appointed.

First Ward—W. T. Carpenter, W. L. West, C. J. W. Rehder.

Second Ward—E. Keith Calder, H. G. Fennell, J. G. Love.

Third Ward—L. B. Sasser, I. H. Well, M. T. Wade.

Fourth Ward—W. F. Robertson, G. H. Smith, A. L. DeRosset.

Fifth Ward—B. R. Penny, Jno. F. Littleton, J. S. Barnes.

Cape Fear Township—W. H. Shearin, Robt. Bordeaux, Chas. Casteen.

Harnett Township—At Township House—W. F. Alexander, B. B. Humphrey, J. D. Woody. At Delgado Mills—Jesse Williams, James Ezell, D. F. O'Brien.

Masonboro Township—J. T. Hawkins, C. B. Bishop, B. S. Montford.

Federal Point Township—Owen Martindale, J. T. Burnett Thos. McGhee.

The polling places will be announced later.

The several precincts are entitled to the following representation in the County Convention:

First Ward—First precinct, six delegates; Second precinct, four delegates; Third precinct, three delegates; Fourth precinct, one delegate; Fifth precinct, one delegate.

Second Ward—(Two precincts), sixteen delegates.

Third Ward—First precinct, ten delegates; Second precinct, seven delegates.

Fourth Ward—First precinct, seven delegates; Second precinct, six delegates.

Fifth Ward—First precinct, six delegates; Second precinct, seven delegates; Third precinct, five delegates; Fourth precinct, two delegates.

Cape Fear Township—Two delegates.

Harnett Township—(Two precincts), four delegates.

Masonboro Township—Two delegates.

Federal Point Township—One delegate.

By order of the Democratic Executive Committee of New Hanover county.

D. McEACHERN, Chairman.

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RESOURCES.

Loans	$ 912 331.30
Overdrafts	16 99
U. S. Bonds (at par 5's & 4's)	196,100.00
Banking House and Fixtures	10,000.00
Due from appv'd res've ag'ts	$ 86 403 66
Due from other banks	187 336.71
Cash on hand	102,54..99 — 386,274 99
Total	$1,504,822.48

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	100,883.81
Circulation	41,040.00
Deposits U. S Treas	$150,371.00
Deposits from Banks	995 67 95
Deposits from individuals	786 655.72
Certificates of Deposit	85,000 00—1,988,196 67
Total	$1,504 822 48

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Feb. 13 '98	Feb 15, '99.	Feb 13, 1900
Total deposits	$634,000	$1,141,000	$1,285,000
Surplus and net profit	75 400	89,000	100 500
U.S. bonds at par	5'5,000	95 000	196,100

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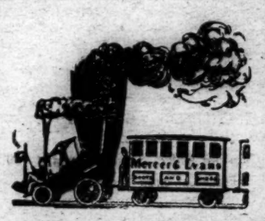

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RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$397,269 52
Stocks and bonds	5 135.00
U. S. bonds	113 000 00
remium on U. S. bonds	9 600 00
Five per cent. redemption fund	2 700.00
Reve ue stamps	368.00
Office furniture	750.00
Cash on hand and in banks	227 946 06
Total	$856,768.58

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	$ 0 000.00
Profit less expenses	20 078 97
Circulation	54,00 .00
Deposits	382,696 31
Total	$856.768.58

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POLLING PLACES.

Primary Election.

The following polling places have been selected by the Democratic Executive Committee for the Primary Election to be held Thursday, March 22nd, 1900.

First Ward—Genaust's Store.
Second Ward—Old Court House.
Third Ward—Giblem Lodge.
Fourth Ward—Worth's Ice Depot, Dock street
Fifth Ward—Fifth Ward Hook and Ladder House.
Cape Fear Township—Blossom's Store.
Harnett Township—Township House.
Delgado Mills (Harnett Township)—Delgado Mills Store.
Masonboro Township—Township House.
Federal Point Township—Biddle's Store.

W. A. WRIGHT, Secretary.

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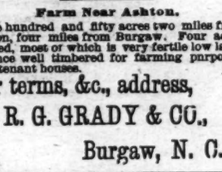

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DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.16 A. M., Warsaw 11 39 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.18 P. M., Richmond 7.35 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.20 P. M., Baltimore 1.08 A. M., Philadelphia 3.55 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.39 P. M., Warsaw 8.58 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 5.32 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.35 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M. Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M. Tampa 5.00 P. M. Miami 9.00 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.10 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston *1.00 P. M., New York *9.37 P. M., Philadelphia 12.20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M. Washington 5.10 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.02 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.45 P. M., Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6.48 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 8.48 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.46 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.05 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.35 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.05 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 5.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 5.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9.53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.43 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.05 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.59 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.20 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.25 A. M. and 5.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 9 10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 10 00 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11 10 A. M., 4.08 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.32 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 12.15 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.24 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrive Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.35 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 1.13 P. M., Manning 3.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 3.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 3.34 A. M., Manning 3.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.20 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.30 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.53 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.30 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.30 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.0r A. M.

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Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.55 P. M., 10.05 P. M. arrive Selma 2.45 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M. Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.35 P. M., 12.19 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.58 A. M., Fayetteville 12.30 P. M., 9.55 P. M. Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M. 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.35 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.19 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.08 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 6.15 A. M. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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Time Table No. 9.

To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST			GOING WEST.	
3 Pass'g'r Trains		STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains	
Arrive	Leave		Arrive	Leave
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.....	4 22	Kinston	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	8 57	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City	7 22	7 27
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Train 4 connects with W. & W. train b

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 3.

WORLD'S SUPPLY OF COTTON.

New Orleans Exchange's Statement Showing Movement of the Crop Since September 1st.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, March 2.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton shows a decrease for the week just closed of 78,712 bales against a decrease of 95,601 last year.

The total visible is 3,941,059 bales against 4,019,771 last week and 5,898,121 last year. Of this the total American cotton is 3,917,059 against 3,260,771 last week and 4,305,121 last year; of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 744,000 against 725,000 last week, 1,093,000 last year.

Of the world's visible supply there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and continental Europe, 1,959,000 bales against 3,394,000 last year; in Egypt, 201,000 against 273,000 last year; and in the United States 1,444,000 against 1,244,000 last year.

Secretary Hester's New Orleans Exchange statement which covers the monthly movement to the close of February, shows the total for February to have been 841,580 bales against 552,010 last year and 893,341 year before last.

The amount brought into sight for the six months from September to February, inclusive, shows a decline of 1,755,000 bales under last year and a decline of 1,885,000 under year before last. The movement from the 1st of September to the close of February shows receipts at all United States ports 5,566,814 against 7,236,061 last year; net overland movement by railroads across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers 1,032,202 against 1,081,127; Southern mill takings exclusive of consumption at Southern outports, 851,906 against 779,509, and interior stocks in excess of those held at the commencement of the season 242,906 against 350,848 last year; 428,015 year before last, and 339,583 same time in 1887.

These make the total amount of the cotton crop brought in sight during the six months ending close of February, 7,693 018 against 9,447,542 last year and 9,578,268 year before last.

Northern spinners took during February 231,893 bales, against 209,666 last year.

Foreign exports for the first six months of the season have been 4,057,246 bales, a decline under last season of 1,786 965.

Stocks at the seaboard and the twenty-nine leading Southern interior markets at the close of February were 1,436,064 bales, against 1,287,244 the same date last year.

Including the stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the previous season and the number of bales of the current crop brought into sight during the six months, the supply has been 8,311,916 bales, against 9,215,108 last year and 9,694,822 the year before.

FOR RELIEF OF PORTO RICO.

The President Recommends That Certain Duties Collected Be Appropriated for Use and Relief of the Island.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—The President to day sent the following message to Congress:

To the Senate and House of Representatives: Since the evacuation of Porto Rico by the Spanish forces on the 18th day of October, 1898, the United States has collected on products coming from that island to the ports of the United States duties fixed by the Dingley act and amounting to $2,095,455 88, and will continue to collect under said law until Congress shall otherwise direct. Although I had the power, and having in mind the best interests of the people of the island, used it to modify duties on goods and products entering into Porto Rico, I did not have the power to remit or modify duties on Porto Rican goods coming into the ports of the United States. In view of the pressing necessity of immediate revenue for conducting the government there and for the extension of public education, and in view also of the provisional legislation just inaugurated by the House of Representatives, and for the purpose of making the principle embodied in that legislation applicable to the immediate past as well as the immediate future, I recommend that the above sum so collected and the revenue hereafter collected under existing law, shall without waiting for the enactment of the general legislation now pending, be appropriated for the use and benefit of the island.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

Executive Mansion, March 2, 1900.

Within two hours after the special message from the President recommending the immediate passage of a bill to place in his hands all the moneys collected upon Porto Rican goods since the Spanish evacuation of the island, to be used for the relief of the Porto Ricans had been read to the House to day, the House had passed and sent to the Senate a bill to carry out the recommendation.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

For the Week Ending Friday, March 2nd, 1900.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending March 2nd 1900:

	1899	1900
Net receipts at all U. S ports during the week.....	155,901.	96,581
Total receipts to this date.....	5,483,523	7,192,573
Exports for week..	203,201	143,371
Total exports to date	3,999,484	5,843,844
Stock in all U. S. ports.	947,935	761,915
Stock at all interior towns.....	464,861	438 098
Stock in Liverpool,	630,000	1,785,000
American afloat for Great Britain ...	230,000	170,000

Editor's Awful Plight.

F. M. Higgins, Editor Senea, (Ills.,) News, was afflicted for years with Piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes two boxes wholly cured him. It's the surest pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY Druggist. †

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LIVELY DEBATE IN BOTH HOUSES.

The President's Bill for Relief of Porto Rico a Great Surprise to the Democrats.

TARIFF MEASURE IN SENATE.

Only Twenty Minutes for Debate Allowed in the House—Democrats Opposed Measure Because it Placed No Limitation Upon President.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—Interest in the Porto Rican tariff measure now has been transferred from the House to the Senate. Consideration of the bill embodying substantially the provisions of the House bill and in addition providing for a temporary form of civil government for the Island of Porto Rico, was begun in the Senate to day.

Mr. Teller, Colorado, immediately proposed an amendment, establishing a temporary government in Porto Rico for the purpose of enabling the people of the island later to establish a permanent republican self government, the adoption of a constitution and the establishment of a permanent form of government, not interfering with the sovereignty of the United States over the island or its inhabitants.

This amendment was followed by another by Stewart, (Nevada), striking out the provision levying a duty on Porto Rican goods and providing that they should be admitted free into the United States.

A spirited debate was participated in by Messrs. Foraker, Teller, Stewart, Allen, and others.

Mr. Pettigrew, South Carolina, secured the adoption of the following resolution:

"That the President be requested, if not incompatible with the public interest, to send to the Senate a statement of the number of saloons that have been established in Manila, P. I., since the occupation of that city by the United States forces; who conducts these saloons, who are their patrons and what kind of liquors are sold and the quantity of such liquor. The President is also requested to inform the Senate of the number, if any, of saloons run on the American or English plan in Manila before we occupied the place. The President is lso requested to inform the Senate whether or not it is within his power, as commander-in chief of our military forces, to suppress all saloons in Manila and prevent the sale of liquor to our soldiers."

Senator Penrose called up the Quay case and Mr. Hoar addressed the Senate in support of Mr. Quay's right to a seat in the body.

A message was received from the House transmitting the Porto Rican appropriation bill passed to-day. It was referred to the committee on Pacific Islands and Porto Rico.

Mr. Foraker said that the inhabitants as well as the island of Porto Rico had come to us by treaty and in that treaty Congress had been authorized to determine all the civil and political rights of the inhabitants. Congress was given plenary power to deal with the whole matter in its discretion. He announced the island was a dependency; there was no intention to make Porto Rico a State, or in the accepted sense, a territory. Concluding, he called attention to the important fact that this bill raised a question which can be determined only by the United States Supreme Court, and an early determination was highly important. "Beyond Porto Rico," he said, "lie the Philippines. If we open them to the world's trade, we will have the world's products poured into the United States and our whole protective tariff system will fall to the ground."

Mr. Stewart gave notice of his free trade amendment, and the Senate at 5:15 P. M. adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The President's message regarding Porto Rico came like a bolt out of a clear sky to the minority. They were at first inclined to hail it with delight as a reproof of the majority for the passage of the Porto Rican tariff bill on Wednesday. The Republican leaders, however, had a bill ready to carry the President's recommendation into effect. Mr. Cannon asked immediate consideration of the bill, and this was given. It was only when the debate opened, it having been agreed that twenty minutes should be allowed on a side, that under the lead of Mr. Bailey, of Texas, the Democrats began lining up against the bill because it placed no limitation upon the President's discretion in the use of the money. Mr. Cannon and Mr. Grosvenor charged the Democrats with having made false professions of friendshlp for the starving Porto Ricans for political capital and adjured them if they were sincere to stand up and vote for a bill that would give the sufferers immediate relief. The bill was passed by a vote of 162 to 107, thirteen Democrats, two Populists and two silver Republicans voting with Republicans in the affirmative. Subsequently the Aldrich-Robbins contested election case from the fourth Alabama district, which the House twice refused to consider yesterday, was taken up—136 to 129—and was debated for the remainder of the day.

When the President's message was read, the Republicans made demonstations of enthusiasm.

"I hope the recommendation will meet with favor on that side of the House," said Mr. Richardson, the majority leader.

"I'll see if it meets with favor on that side of the House," retorted Mr. Cannon sharply. "I'll now ask for unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of a bill to carry the recommendation of that message into force."

The suddenness of the request spread consternation on the Democratic side. There was no time for consultation. Mr. Richardson stood hesitating a moment.

"Better do it at once," said Mr. Cannon, "before you change your mind." This shaft raised a laugh.

Mr. Richardson said he would not object, but wanted to know how much time would be allowed for debate.

Mr. Cannon finally suggested twenty minutes on a side. To this Mr. Richardson assented, observing: "I do not suppose gentlemen on the other side can be of one mind longer than forty minutes. [Laughter.] We agree if it will help you out of the hole."

The bill was then offered and read. It was as follows:

"Be it enacted, etc., that the sum of $3,059,455, being the amount of customs revenue received on importations by the United States from Porto Rico since the evacuation of Porto Rico by the Spanish forces on October 18th, 1898, to January 1st, 1900, together with any further customs revenue collected on importations from Porto Rico since January 1st, 1900, or that shall hereafter be collected under existing law, shall be placed at the disposal of the President, to be used for the government and benefit of Porto Rico until otherwise provided by law; and the revenues herein referred to, already collected and to be collected, under existing law, are hereby appropriated for the purposes herein specified out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated."

Mr. Cannon said there was no reason to make an extended argument in support of the bill. The brief message of the President, he said, covered all the points necessary to justify the passage of the bill. It appropriated all the money in the treasury collected up to January 1st and such money as shall be hereafter collected on imports from Porto Rico for the benefit of the people of the island.

Mr. Cannon explained that the sugar and tobacco piled up in Porto Rico controlled by the sugar and tobacco trusts, which were awaiting shipment to this country, would be shipped to the United States if this bill passed and that every dollar of duty paid by these trusts would be devoted to the storm swept and starving inhabitants of the island. [Republican applause.] "You have been shedding crocodile tears over there," he concluded. "Now, come up and vote for this bill, every man of you." [Renewed applause.]

Mr. Bailey, Texas, replying to Mr. Cannon, evoked a round of Democratic applause by his first sentence. If he had known when the request for unanimous consent was submitted that the bill placed at the absolute disposal of the President $2,000 000 now in the treasury and an indefinite sum hereafter to be collected, he said he would himself have taken the responsibility of objecting. He would never consent, he said, to turn over to the discretion of one man the money in the treasury of the United States. Undoubtedly the people of Porto Rico had been subjected to unjust taxation and there should be an atonement. But the money should be returned by the direction of Congress not at the discretion of the President. The right to dispose of money in the treasury belonged to Congress not to the executive.

Mr. Berry, Kentucky, said that no one sympathized with the starving people of Porto Rico more than he did but he believed there should be a direct appropriation from the treasury. Money should not be given to them, the title to which was in doubt. There had recently been filed in the circuit court a suit to recover duties collected on Port Rican goods and he was of opinion that every dollar collected since the ratification of the Paris treaty had been unlawfully collected.

Mr. McRae, Arkansas, declared that the bill was an admission that the rights of Porto Rico had been outraged—a confession that money had been unjustly taken from them.

Mr. Bell, Colorado, said that such a chapter of inconsistencies, such a shifting of scenes as had taken places on the Republican side in the last few weeks had never before been witnessed in the American Congress.

After further discussion, the bill finally passed—162 to 107.

Mr. Underwood, Alabama, demanded the yeas and nays on the formal motion to lay on the table the motion to reconsider the vote, by which the bill was passed. He did this as the inauguration of a filibuster against the Republicans' attempt to take up the Aldrich Robbins contested election case in the Fourth Alabama district, which it was proposed to take up immediately afterward. The motion was carried—114 to 110. The case was then called up.

Mr. Bartlett, Georgia, raised the question of consideration. The House decided to consider the case—136 to 129—and on agreement the case was debated the remainder of the day and will be continued to morrow and Tuesday up to 2.30 o'clock, when the final vote will be taken.

At 4 50 P. M. the House took a recess until 8 o'clock. There was no quorum at the night session and after waiting in vain until 9 30 the House adjourned.

WOMEN FOUGHT AT COLENSO.

Remained With the Boers in the Trenches. One Killed and Another Found Fatally Wounded.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

COLENSO CAMP, February 28.—The Boers lost heavily during yesterday's fighting. The lyddite wrought fearful havoc in the trenches. Many of the wounded were quite yellow from the effects of the fumes. Over a hundred prisoners were taken. Many of them were Hollanders and a few were genuine Boers. Considerable ammunition for rifles fell into the hands of the British, as well as a damaged Maxim gun. Boers of sixteen years old were among the wounded. The prisoners had not heard of the surrender of General Cronje and discredited it. The majority seemed to be glad to be captured. They admit heavy losses recently. The women remained with the Boers in the trenches until three hours before the British charged. Two women were found, one dead, the other fatally wounded. Before she died, the latter said her husband would not let her go, as she was such a good shot. The woman was only 19 years old.

An idea of the intensity of the shell fire can be gathered from the fact that of the ninety-five guns in action the nineteenth battery alone fired 784 rounds, firing every ten seconds.

The British casualties were about 200 men.

HANGING IN LOUISIANA.

Two Negroes Executed for Murder—Two Others to Share the Same Fate.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW IBERIA, LA., March 2.—Reuben Cataley and Hypolite Brown, negroes, were hanged here to-day for the murder of Marshal Sorrels, August 15th, 1899. Charles Brown and Henry Green, sentenced to death for the same crime, were given a respite by the Governor, and the death sentence was suspended until further notice.

The town and streets were filled with 5,000 persons from this and surrounding counties eager to witness the execution. It was considered too difficult an undertaking to hang the four men at one time, and Governor Foster yesterday sent a respite in the cases of Brown and Green.

J. H. Soock, Jr., an electrical contractor was arrested last night in Atlanta for robbing the Kimball House of about $1,500 in currency and checks. When arrested Soock said he had been pilfering for four years.

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BOERS GATHERING TO FACE ROBERTS

Assembling Their Forces Near Osfontein to Meet British Advance Movement.

REINFORCED FROM NATAL.

Reported That Boers' Generals Have Orders to Retard the Advance of Gen. Roberts Until Concentration Under Joubert is Effected.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 3, 4:15 A. M.—Lord Roberts at Osfontein, six or eight miles east of Paardeberg, faces the reformed Boer army, from five to six thousand strong. This may be merely a corps of observation ready to retire on prepared positions. Doubtless it is receiving accretions from the late besiegers of Ladysmith and from other points.

Whatever the force may be, Lord Roberts has ample troops to cope with it. The Boers are temporarily favored by a heavy rain falling on the veldt and making the grass improve. Lord Roberts has surprised observers by the excellence of his transport during the first advance and he is likely to do so again, although military men think he must wait for some days before going much farther.

The Boers presumably, will use this delay for all it is worth, pulling their resources together. Dr. Leyds gives out the opinion that the British entry of Bloemfontein is daily expected, as Commandants Dewet and Delarey have been instructed to retard the advance of Lord Roberts only until the concentration under General Joubert had been accomplished.

No adequate explanation is yet made of the fifty thousand reinforcements that are preparing for Lord Roberts. Such explanations as are advanced, tentatively suggest, either that the Cape Dutch have become more restive, or that the imperial government had a hint of foreign suggestions as to the future status of the allied republics.

Arrested as Rebels.

RENSBERG, March 1.—The greater part of the Dutch residents at Colesberg have been arrested as rebels. The Boers yesterday were in full retreat northward, with a British force following them.

CAPE TOWN, March 2.—General Cronje and his party arrived at Simontown to day. He was received by General Sir Frederick Forestier-Walker and a representative of Sir Alfred Milner, the governor of Cape Colony.

Boers Located.

OSFONTEIN, March 2.—The Boers have now been definitely located four miles from the British front, their left resting on a high kopje and their right on the river. The burgher force is estimated to number between five thousand and six thousand.

Buller at Ladysmith.

LADYSMITH, March 1.—General Buller accompanied by his staff, arrived here at 11:40 a. m., to day. He entered the town unnoticed, as more cavalry was coming in during the morning. The news of his arrival soon spread, however, and General White and his staff at once went to receive him. The two generals met amid scenes of tremendous enthusiasm and General Buller had an immense reception.

It is understood that the Boers are in full flight towards the Free State, and a flying column of Ladysmith troops are pursuing them. The Boers left many wagons and guns and quantities of provisions and ammunition behind them.

Gen. Cronje and Wife.

ORANGE RIVER, March 1.—General Cronje and his wife passed here last night en route to Cape Town. Elaborate precautions had been taken to prevent the public from seeing him; even the officers were ordered off of the station and the refreshment room was kept closed before his arrival, to the discomfort of the Kimberley passengers, who were obliged to go food less. General Cronje is miserable and is much greyer. He entered the refreshment room accompanied by his wife, son and interpreter, and General Prettyman and his staff. Taking his seat at a table General Cronje covered his face with his hands for a few moments as he engaged in prayer.

Boers Forces Near Osfontein.

OSFONTEIN, March 2.—The British camps have been moved from here. A heavy rain is falling; the veldt is improving, supplies are rapidly arriving and the men are in good health, despite the fact that they have been on half rations for a fortnight.

Mr. Cecil Rhodes sent a quantity of champagne from Kimberley to be drunk to the health of Lord Roberts.

Lord Roberts has published an order, thanking the troops for their courage amid hardships.

"The forces in our front are believed to be under the joint command of Botha, Dalarey and Dewet. They are expecting reinforcements from Natal.

The guns that were captured at Paardeberg have been brought here. The rifles have, in many cases, scriptural texts engraved upon them, for example, "Lord, strengthen this arm."

It is said that just prior to General Cronje's surrender there was almost a mutiny in the camp."

Affairs at Ladysmith.

LONDON, March 3, 3:30 A. M.—The War Office has received the following from General Buller:

"*Ladysmith*, Friday, March 2.—I find the defeat of the Boers more complete than I had dared to anticipate. This whole district is completely clear of them and, except at the top of Van Roonan's Pass, where several wagons are visible, I can find no trace of them.

"Their last train left Hodder Spruit station about 1 o'clock yesterday and they then blew up the bridge. They packed their wagons six days ago moving them to the north of Ladysmith, so that we had no chance of intercepting them; but they have left vast quantities of ammunition of all sorts, herds, grass, camp and individual necessaries. They have got away with all their guns except two."

FIRE AT JACKSONVILLE.

The Loss Estimated at $50,000—Three Firemen Seriously Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., March 2.—A fire broke out in the McMurray & Baker wagon factory at 11 o'clock and completely destroyed the building and stock. The loss is estimated at $50,000; stock covered by insurance. A wall fell in on there firemen, injuring John Jones, T. C. Corson and John Rossan; two of them, it is feared, seriously.

Congressman Sydney Eppes, of Virginia, died at Garfield hospital last night. He was operated on in the morning for appendicitis and has been steadily sinking since.

GREATER SEABOARD SYSTEM.

Bill Passed Virginia Assembly to Charter the Richmond & Washington R. R.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., March 2.—The bill to charter the Richmond and Washington Air Line railroad—the outlet of the Greater Seaboard system from this city north—passed the House of Delegates this evening just as it came from the Senate, the vote being 67 to 27. It now goes to the Governor. This ends the biggest railway fight that has been known in the Virginia General Assembly for years.

The bill was antagonized by the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac railroad, in which the commonwealth owns stock, and the corporators of the new line are required to purchase this stock. The road will practically parallel the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac between this city and Washington. It will connect here with the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina, now building, as a link of the Seaboard between Richmond and Ridgeway, N. C, thus giving the Seaboard system a through line from Washington to Tampa, Fla. At Washington it is proposed to connect with the Pennsylvania or the Baltimore and Ohio or both, for points North and West. The corporators of the new line, Mr. J. S. Williams and other gentlemen interested in the Seaboard system, give bond that the road will be speedily commenced and pushed to completion.

FILIPINOS AMBUSHED.

Twenty-four Killed, Thirty Wounded and Several Captured Near Batangas.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, March 2, 9 A. M.—Colonel Anderson, with the Thirty-eighth infantry, employing the insurgents' own tactics, has ambushed the enemy near Batangas. Through spies Colonel Anderson learned that a detachment of insurgents would pass a certain road. He concealed his soldiers among the trees lining the road and when the enemy arrived the Americans volleyed unexpectedly, killing twenty-four insurgents, wounding thirty and capturing several. Some arms and ammunition also were captured. The effect of this blow has been salutary. The enemy in that locality are dismayed.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

To Inaugurate a Movement Against Elections Laws in Southern States.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FRANKFORT, KY., March 2.—The committee appointed by the Republican legislative caucus to arrange for a convention of the Republicans of Kentucky, Virginia, Missouri, Mississippi, Alabama and North Carolina and South Carolina, to inaugurate a movement against the election laws now in force in these States, organized tonight. Senator N. T. Moward, of Butler county, was elected chairman. The Kentucky State convention this month, at Louisville, will issue an address, calling a convention for this purpose at Nashville.

WARM WIRELETS.

Edward Brooks was shot and killed by Will Adkins in a millinery store at Atlanta. The two clerks had some words over the refusal of Brooks to give his co-worker a match.

The total bank clearings at the principal cities of the United States for the week ending March 1st, were $1,715,196,307; a decrease of 20.1. Outside of New York, $689,422,917; a decrease of 7.5.

The Virginia State Democratic committee has decided upon May 2d as the date and Norfolk as the place for holding the next State convention of the party to elect delegates to the Democratic national convention.

The Savannah Line Steamer Gate City, which ran ashore on Long Island on the night of February 8th, broke in two early yesterday morning. All hope of saving the vessel had been given up several days ago.

Mr. Roberts, of Massachusetts, has introduced a bill in the House of Representatives appropriating $8 per month for the relief of the family of the post master at Lake City, S. C., who was fired upon and killed by armed men on February 12, 1898.

President and Mrs. McKinley, accompanied by General Corbin, Secretary Cortelyou, Dr. Rixey, Miss Mary Barber, a stenographer and two servants, left Washington at 11 A. M. yesterday for New York, where the President will to night attend the annual dinner of the Ohio society.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

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Weather Predictions for March: Frequent rains; very little clear weather; sudden changes; extremes of heat and cold. To avoid a storm in the household better have the Piano tuned and put in order. John G. Russell, 221 North Fourth street, corner Grace. Bell 'Phone 198. ma 3 tf

Lost—Two Vests Saturday night between Pressing Club and Sixth and Dock, either on Princess to Fifth and Sixth to Dock or Dock to Sixth. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to Pressing Club. ma 3 1t

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The Copartnership heretofore existing between A. P. Yopp and H. H. Helm, conducting a Bicycle business under name of Yopp & Helm, has this day been dissolved by mutual agreement, H. H. Helm purchasing the entire business and will hereafter conduct the same at the stand No 209 Market street. A. P. Yopp, H. H. Helm January 19th, 1900. fe 22 1m

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SEABOARD AIR LINE.

The Line Completed from Camden to the Outskirts of Columbia, S. C.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 2.—The Seaboard Air Line has finished its line from Camden to the outskirts of Columbia. A train with General Superintendent V. E. McBee's car attached made the trip between the two places to-day. Material for the depots at both places is being put on the grounds. Between Columbia and Cayce, the terminus of the Florida Central and Peninsula, nearly all the track has been laid, but freshets have interfered with the completion of the bridge across the Congaree. The entire line of eighty miles will be complete from Cheraw to Columbia and thence to Cayce in three weeks.

TOTAL NET RECEIPTS OF COTTON.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st, 1899: Galveston, 1,560,748 bales; New Orleans, 1,507,858; Mobile, 178 681; Savannah, 931,740; Charleston, 229,279; Wilmington, 255.797; Norfolk, 327 340; Baltimore, 72,875; New York, 66,340; Boston, 68.930; Newport News, 15,743; Philadelphia, 71,875; Brunswick, 64,524; Port Arthur and Sabine Pass, 53,190; Pensacola, 99,539. Total, 5,483,522 bales.

Church Notices.

Rev. L. W. Curtis will fill his regular Sunday appintments at Greenville Sound at 11 A. M., East Wilmington at 3 00 P. M and Delgado Mill at 7 30 P. M.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, pastor. Sabbath services at 11 A M. and 7 30 P. M. Sabbath school at 3 30 P. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited. Seats free.

First Presbyterian Church: Divine service at 11 A. M. and 7. 0 P. M conducted by Rev. Thos H. Law, representing the American Bible Society. Sunday school at 3 30 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursdays at 8 P. M., conducted by Rev. E. E. Lane. The public cordially invited.

Immanuel Church: Services at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. by Rev. Edward E. Lane. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7.3'. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M.

The Seamen's Bethel: Regular religious services will be held to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Seamen and rivermen are especially invited. All welcome.

First Baptist Church, corner of Market and Fifth streets, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor; 11 A. M., "Stand forth." At 7.30 P. M., "Did Christ Rise from the Dead?"

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Southside Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. R. H. Herring, pastor. Services 11 o'clock A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday School at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting service every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

Bladen Street Methodist Church: Rev. J. J. Porter will preach at 11 A. M., and at the evening service.

Second Advent Baptist Church, between Castle and Church streets. Preaching by the pastor, Elder R. Fisher, at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.; Sunday School at 4 P. M. Prayer meetings Tuesday and Friday nights at 8. Strangers and visitors cordially invited. Seats free.

Fifth Street Methodist Church, situated on Fifth street between Nun and Church. Rev. John H. Hall, pastor. Services every Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7 30 o'clock. Sunday School Sunday afternoon at 3.00 o'clock. A cordial invitation extended to all.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets. Pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole. Services Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School, J. H. Davis, supt., 3.30 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8.00 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited. Seats free.

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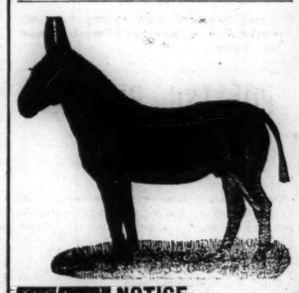

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1 Boy's Hat	.24
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